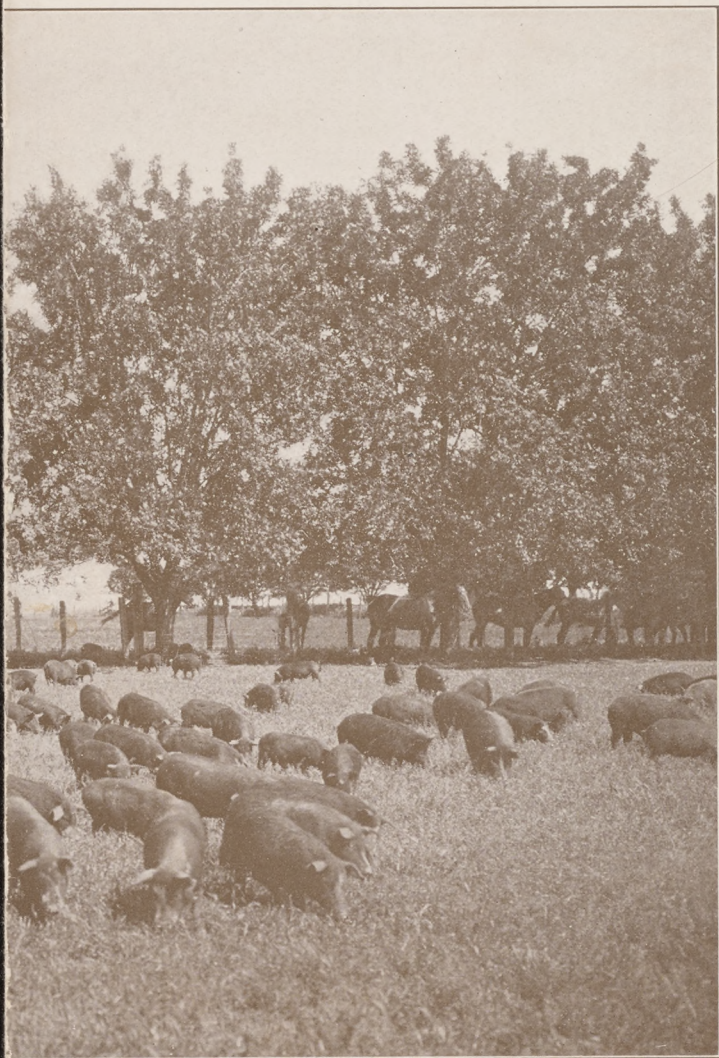


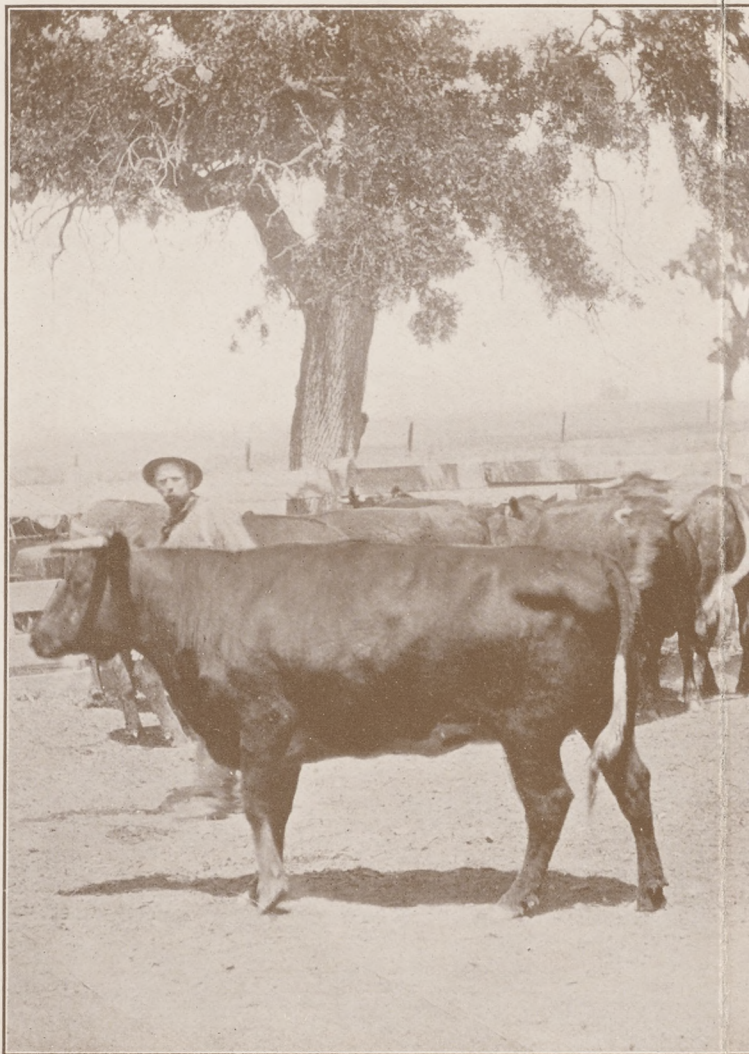
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Williams' Chamber of Commerce issues the following statements:

Williams is situated 125 miles northeast of San Francisco, 63 miles from Sacramento and is on the main line of the Southern Pacific Railroad. It is the nearest town to San Francisco and Sacramento, in the Sacramento Valley Irrigation Projects, or the Pittsburg Syndicate, and the center of one of the largest bodies of high-class agricultural and fruit land in the State.

Williams' Climate

The climate is best described by saying that there is no malaria; roses and carnations can be gathered from the gardens every month in the year. At the last rose fair held in the Sacramento Valley roses from Williams took most of the first awards.



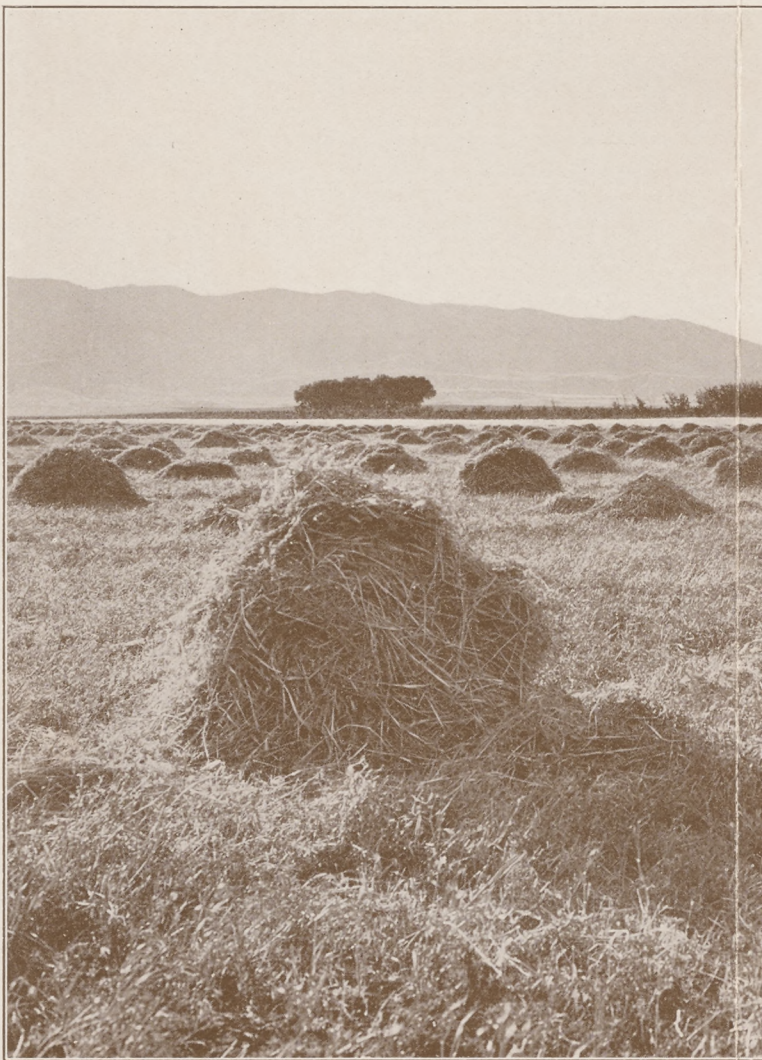
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Williams, Colusa County, California

In our foothills people afflicted with asthma and throat troubles have been cured after trying Arizona and New Mexico in vain.

Williams

In the early fifties W. H. Williams and Stovall & Wilcoxson located 50,000 acres in and around Williams. Mr. Williams laid off a small town-site which is named after him. Until the last two months there has never been any land offered for subdivision in the vicinity of Williams. Grain and stock farming on a large scale have been so profitable that landowners have been slower here than in any other section in the Sacramento Valley to offer land for subdivision, hence the present great opportunity for investment here.



Alfalfa without irrigation

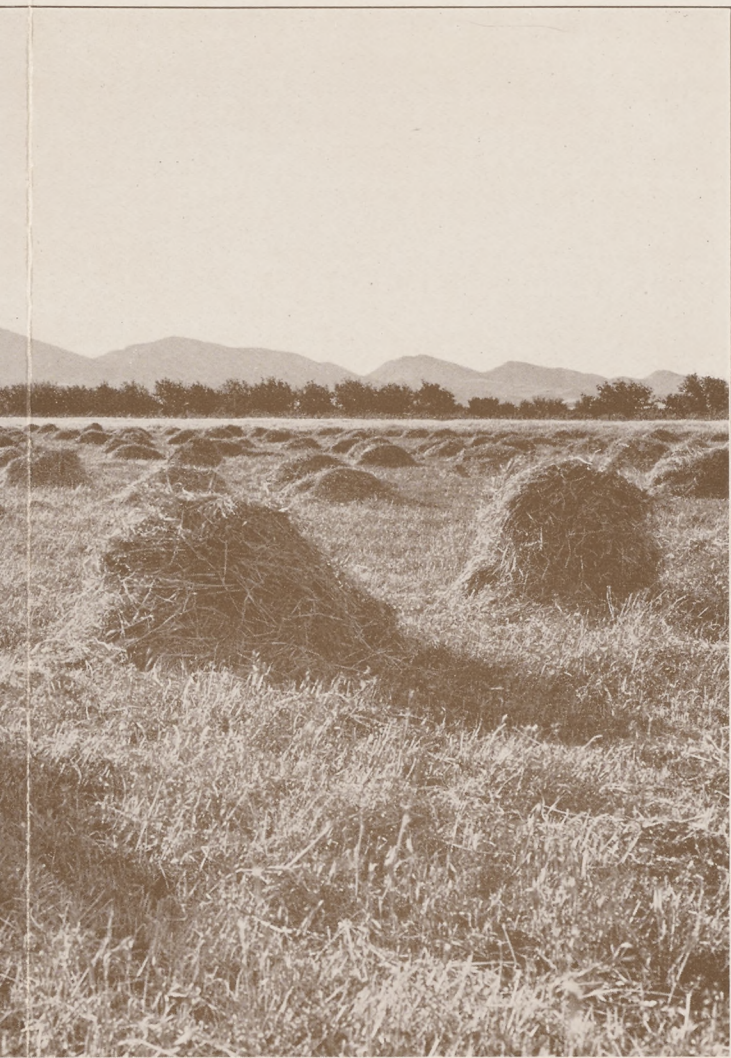
More grain is shipped annually from this town than from any other point on the west side of the Sacramento River.

This is the place for sure success for the farmer, dairyman and poultry man.

Alfalfa

Alfalfa seems natural to this soil being successfully grown without irrigation. It pays well by cutting two crops for hay and one for seed. The seed crop yields from 200 to 250 pounds per acre, price of seed being from fifteen to twenty-two cents per pound.

George Ware, of Williams, cuts five crops of alfalfa hay or three crops of hay and one crop of seed without irrigation. Elbert Brimm, of Williams, reports ninety tons of alfalfa hay from first cutting on thirty-five acres.



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Dairying

There is no other section of California better adapted to dairying than right here, on account of the unusual growth of alfalfa and natural grasses.

The average income from a good class of dairy cows, in a large way, can be estimated as follows: twenty-three pounds of milk a day, for the calendar year, for each cow, or 8,395 pounds of milk, averaging four per cent. butter fat, giving 335.80 pounds butter fat at 33 1-3 cents per pound, or \$111.82 per cow. This information came from milk delivered at the Woodland Creamery.

A small farmer handling ten or twelve cows should increase his per cent of butter fat from one to two per cent by careful selection of cows which would add from twenty-five to fifty per cent. to the income. Personal handling of ten cows gives much better results.

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The nearest town to San Francisco in the Sacramento Valley Irrigation Projects.



Showing location of Williams, California, (In the Circle)



Fig growing and

An acre of alfalfa, without irrigation, near Williams will take care of one cow and the separated milk and alfalfa fed to hogs or chickens means a good increase in income.

Poultry

Poultry of all kinds find perfect conditions here, alfalfa with fig trees for shade make the ideal poultry-yards. The above cut of a fig tree is in the yards of the Stovall-Wilcoxson Co's 38,000-acre ranch. Looking from this tree west is as nice a field of alfalfa as can be found in the State, and without irrigation.

Actual products of the hen from different people's reports are from 160 to 180 eggs per hen of the Leghorn variety. Average price for eggs last year twenty-nine cents. Cost of feeding varies, safe figuring is four pounds of mixed grain per



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month, when a full feed of alfalfa is given the fowls. Figuring on an average of six cents per month for grain, alfalfa should be grown on the small farm, the minimum average is 160 or 131-3 dozen eggs at twenty-five cents per dozen will give \$3.33 per hen per year, and adding four cents per month for alfalfa and the six cents for grain giving a total of \$1.20 per hen per year for food, leaving a balance of \$2.13 as income. This is conservative figuring, where attention is paid to poultry.

Turkeys thrive here the best of any place we have seen. On the big ranches the hens hatch in the grain fields and practically raise the young without attention of any kind. J. B. Welch of Spring Valley sold turkeys last year averaging him \$4 apiece.

Fruit

Fruit of all kinds and berries do perfectly at Williams. Almonds do especially well. Certain sections are counted absolutely sure of a crop each year. Yields from a five-year-old orchard 500 to 800 pounds per acre, and from an orchard in full bearing 1,000 to 1,500 pounds per acre. Almonds are one of the cheapest crops to harvest, as a few days' delay or slow handling does not hurt it. Always remember when starting any fruit industry to provide yourself with everyday money by having a good stock of poultry. Oranges grown near Williams took first prize at the Midwinter Fair in San Francisco. Figs thrive here as well as the native oaks.

Grapefruit, lemons, apples, apricots, peaches and pears all do well in the different localities. Up to the present time fruit-growing has been a very small side-issue in this land of big ranches, though its success is thoroughly proven at the different home headquarters.

Stock

Great things are done with hogs, cattle, sheep and mules in the country around Williams. Gion Gibson makes 200-pound hogs in from ten to twelve months on alfalfa grown without irrigation. The foothill farmers turn their hogs out on the range in the fall and leave them to forage for themselves all winter; after harvest they round them up and fatten them in the stubble field. Again, J. B. Welch received \$20.30 per head for his first carload of hogs last year; these hogs lived on the natural forage all winter and finished fattening in the stubble field.

Sheep are good dividend-payers here, one crop of lambs and two clips of wool. Lambing in January, February and March in the open range, three to four months' lambs being marketable. One man usually cares for 2,500 sheep, except during the lambing season. The native burr clover and alfileria makes our ranges the very best for the stockman. Mule buyers from all sections of the country come to Williams.

Honey

Bees are cheaply and successfully handled here.

Flowers

The growing of bulbs should be a profitable industry, as they mature perfectly in this soil. Almost every wild flower known to California can be found in the country around Williams. There would be a good opening for a nurseryman here.

Irrigation

Williams is in the best section of the Sacramento Valley Irrigation District, the system now under development. Quoting from the Sacramento

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Valley Irrigation Company, the Kuhn Syndicate, "Water source the Sacramento River, the right to take water comes from a special act of Congress. The canal company has acquired the right to take from the Sacramento River at low water-mark a volume of water 100 feet wide and 9 feet deep, moving one foot per second, to say nothing about their right to take nearly as large an amount from Stony Creek."

Williams is in the district for which the right to take this water was especially granted. The quantity of water being more than enough to irrigate every foot of the land for which the water was appropriated.

Many people, however, prefer to irrigate by pumping. South and west of Williams water is found at from eight to twelve feet and a good irrigating supply at from thirty to thirty-five feet, which raises to within twelve to fourteen feet of the surface.

Almost everything grown in any part of the United States can be found growing in Williams or the surrounding country without irrigation.

A ten-acre farm at Williams that can not fail:

Seven acres of alfalfa; two acres of chicken yards; one acre house orchard and garden; five cows, income \$600; seven hundred hens, income \$2,275; less chicken feed, \$720; making an income of \$179.50 per month, this is a conservative estimate when a competent man is handling it. The dairy income should be very much increased by careful selection of cows. This is a comfortable home for a workingman, and such a home can be made in no place better than Williams.

Truck Gardening

There is a good opening for truck gardening and berry raising here.

Schools

Williams has a good grammar school and is now building a \$25,000 high school.

Mineral Water

Williams is the railroad station for Wilbur Hot Springs and Cook Springs. The Wilbur Springs are celebrated for their cure for rheumatism; many people suffering from alcohol habit have been absolutely cured by use of these waters. The hot mud baths are equal to any in this State. Mr. J. W. Cuthbert, the proprietor of Wilbur Springs, has built a beautiful mountain resort. Cook Springs are celebrated for all stomach and kidney troubles; thousands of cases of bottled water shipped each year.

To the investor, large or small, no section offers better opportunity for profitable investment in farming, dairying, poultry-raising, fruit-growing and alfalfa.

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